

CERTIFIED INSPECTOR EXAMINATIONS

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livestock inspectors – Fees – Revocation of certification.

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance and direction to all individuals applying for certification as a certified veterinarian or field livestock inspector. All individuals applying for certification must complete department-provided training and pass a written test with no less than a score of ninety percent. Training must include, but is not limited to, the:

- (a) Reading of printed brands;
- (b) Reading of brands or other marks on animals, including the location of brands on animals;
- (c) Reading of a microchip or other electronic official individual identification;
- (d) Completion of official documents; and
- (e) Review of satisfactory ownership documents

Written exams are open book. New applicants and renewing inspectors may use the current Washington State Brand Book, the inspector training manual, the training slides and notes taken during the training as reference material for the exam. Completed exams may be mailed to the Olympia office or scanned and emailed to livestockid@agr.wa.gov. Exams must be returned to the Olympia office within 60 days of the training date to be valid. Exams returned after 60 days of the training date will be considered incomplete. Inspectors must pay the \$60 application fee and attend the training again in order to take the examination again.

All individuals who pass department-provided training will be issued a current Washington State Brand Book, a Washington Brand Certificate book, an Annual Horse Certificate Book, and a Lifetime Horse Certificate book. Inspectors may begin issuing certificates as soon as they receive their books.

New applicants and renewing inspectors who do not score a minimum of 90% on the written exam will be notified by email of their test score and will be provided an opportunity to reapply for the training at a later date.

New applicants and renewing inspectors who do not pass and wish to reapply must pay the \$60 application fee and attend the training again in order to take the examination again.

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New applicants and renewing inspectors who do not pass and wish to reapply must wait a minimum of 60 days before attending the training again and taking the examination again.

New applicants and renewing inspectors who do not pass three consecutive examinations must wait a minimum of 365 days before attending the training again and taking the examination again.